

CITIZEN'S FEDERATION DEMANDS IMMEDIATE CUT IN CAR FARES

PROPOSED TO CUT IN CAR FARES

Delegates to Hearing Will Be Instructed to Stand Firm for Downward Revision.

The Federation of Citizens' Associations and officers of the various other civic bodies in the District, representing more than 20,000 Washingtonians, will meet in the District building at 8 o'clock tonight to instruct its representatives who will appear before the car fare reduction hearing to be held Thursday morning by the Public Utilities Commission.

DEMAND FARE CUT, ORDER.

"Oppose any suggestion that would tend to put an extra burden on suburban citizens, such as zone fares, and demand an immediate reduction in fares in Washington."

This is the message the Federation is expected to instruct its representatives to deliver to the Public Utilities Commission. The Federation has heretofore expressed itself as opposed to any change in the method of fare collection in the District.

The Chamber of Commerce will hold a special meeting of its board of directors tomorrow night. The street car question will be the chief subject to be discussed. It is not known what action the chamber will take in the matter of instructing its representatives who will appear before the hearing.

MERGER TO BE SOUGHT.

A special committee of the Washington Board of Trade will appear before the commission Thursday. This committee, appointed by the executive committee of the trade board yesterday, turns its attention to merger propositions and will seek a voluntary consolidation of the railway companies of Washington.

Several members of the House District Committee are expected to attend Thursday's hearing. Congressman Zihlman of Maryland, yesterday stated that he would be at the District building Thursday if he were in town.

One member of the District Committee who favors a zone system of fare collection probably will be at the hearing. He has declared the railway situation has reached the point where the question of public clamor must be pacified by the most practical solution to the railway situation.

William McK. Clayton, chairman of the public utilities committee of the Federation of Citizens' Association, who will represent the association, declared yesterday that he was vigorously opposed to the zone system.

With the aid of the Washington Times, said Mr. Clayton, "citizens of Washington some months ago defeated the zone system. We expect to do so again. It is even outrageous to suggest that such a system of fare collection be established in Washington."

ZONE SYSTEM OPPOSED.

The zone system, which will be proposed by the Washington Railway and Electric Company in lieu of a reduction in the rate of fares, will not be established in Washington, was the opinion expressed today by several in close touch with the railway situation.

"The Public Utilities Commission has discovered what a wise move was made when they turned down the zone proposition the early part of the year," said one in close touch with the situation.

"The zone system failed in New York and several other States. It will likewise fail here. The commission, I believe, will not even seriously consider the proposition."

CENTRAL LABOR UNION

URGES MORE PLAY AREAS

Resolutions urging increased playground facilities for the children of Washington were adopted at a meeting of the Central Labor Union last night.

The union appointed a delegate to represent it at a mass meeting called by the Columbia Heights Citizens Association at the Public Library Thursday night.

A delegate from the Washington Board of Trade will also be present at the meeting Thursday night. It was announced at a meeting of the executive committee of that organization yesterday.

LIEUT. DAY TO INSTRUCT

DALLAS SCHOOL CADETS

Lieut. Richard R. Day, Marine corps, who has been instructor of the District High School cadets since the war, has been appointed to the same office with the high school cadets of Dallas, Tex. He is now in charge of the cadets at Camp Dix, New Jersey. The new position, for which he will leave Washington about August 15, carries a substantial increase in salary over what he received here.

AUTO TRADE MEN LEAVE

FOR ANNUAL OUTING

Several hundred members of the Washington Automotive Trade Association, accompanied by their families, left for Marshall Hall today to attend the annual outing of the organization.

Return from Motor Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Gans have returned from a motor trip in the North. They visited Delaware Water Gap, Atlantic City, New York, Wop-pinger Falls, and Asbury Park.

HEARD AND SEEN

By BILL PRICE.

FOAM—BUT GOOD.

Prohibition has come to stay!

M. D.—Moonshine Distributor!

Love is the first symptom of allmomy!

New song, "Good Night, New Jersey! Hello France!"

Is this guy's name Jack Dempsey or Jack Dumpsam?

It has almost reached the point where people ask, "Are you single or allmomyed?"

Some people think Colonel Harvey would make a good Vice President!

I see where "Cousin" Hoover was jailed some time ago. Moral—If you think you are related to a cabinet officer or the President, don't admit it!

Life's little Jokes—The auto speed maniac, the rent robber, the lord, profligate, and other indirect murderers calling the recent New Jersey pillow fight a brutal affair!

There, there, little dumb-bell, you'll be a Congressman bye and bye.

PAUL WHITE.

Probably there would be fewer divorces sought by the screen stars if they could learn to "make up" in their homes as well as in the studio.

HARPER'S FERRY.

TACTLESS PARK POLICEMEN.

Park policemen of Washington are under Colonel SHERILL, superintendent of public buildings and grounds. The majority of them are good officers, but the tactless, senseless-actions of a few of them in past years has done much to cause bitter feeling toward the force. This, of course, is not deserved.

Several complaints have reached this column lately, and we suggest that the official in charge might overhaul the park guards and remove those failing to show discretion and judgment.

A letter today from an apparently responsible citizen, who gives his name and address, sets forth these facts:

Last Saturday afternoon, on his way to work at a prominent hotel, he passed through the little park of the Public Library. On the Seventh street side he bought an orange from a fruit vender. Peeling it, he drew the peelings toward a trash basket. Several of the peelings fell on the grass. He says he did not know this. He had gotten only a few paces away when a park policeman bawled him out and ordered him to go back and pick up the peelings.

"I was scared stiff," the writer says, "and before I could collect my senses this guard gave me a swift kick. I suggested that he not get excited, as I would do what he ordered. That offended him, and he seized me and dragged me through the crowded park to the telephone box on the east side of Seventh street. I never felt so humiliated in my life as I saw the crowd following. I pleaded to him to let go of my coat and permit me to quietly wait for the patrol wagon."

Such clumsy humiliation of any man for the minor offense of failing to get orange peelings into a waste basket is, if the facts set forth by the writer are correct, unwarranted, and should be punished.

It has not been a great while since one of the largest merchants of Washington witnessed a similar humiliation of a boy in this same park, and protested vehemently against it.

We do not believe Colonel SHERILL will stand for this sort of thing.

Samson had the right idea about advertising. He took two columns and brought down the house! CHEERUPADIST.

CLASS IN HOTEL TRAINING

TO GATHER AT BANQUET

The graduation exercises of the Lewis Hotel Training School, to which the public is invited, will be held in the ballroom of the Shoreham Hotel this evening, at 8 p. m. The following D. C. men and women are to receive diplomas:

Samuel Bowes, J. A. Calderwood, Emma K. Carney, C. G. Degnan, Myrtle L. Davis, Helen H. Frothingham, Annie Freeman, Ida George, Margaret A. Hampton, Frances Starr Meyer, Janet McCallum, Winifred Moyer, Marie C. Nelson, Louise R. Shinn, Ida B. Simrall, Eve M. Lehman, Lora Watts Moody, Jennie E. Thompson, Edith A. Williams, Frances Mary Bird, Katherine M. Ladd, Marion B. Danforth.

The class will be addressed by Representative Alice Robertson, of Oklahoma.

MOVIES TO SHOW NEED

FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL

The building committee of the Business High School Alumni Association met last night and further discussed plans for the campaign to get Congress to erect a new business high school in Washington.

It was announced last night that a movie scenario had been written setting forth the existing conditions at the school. Moving pictures of conditions at the school will be shown in the theaters of Washington.

EPISCOPAL COUNCIL TO

HOLD CONFERENCE HERE

Plans for the commemoration in November of the 100th anniversary of the foundation of the National Missionary organization of the Episcopal Church, will be one of the important matters to be considered by the presiding bishop and council of the Episcopal Church in the United States, which will meet at the National Cathedral Church, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

Many prominent men from various parts of the United States will be present at these sessions including J. H. Pershing, brother of General Pershing.

The first meeting of the council was held in Washington about three years ago and this week's conference will be the first to be held in the National Capitol since its organization.

TRADE TOPICS DISCUSSED

AT ADVERTISING LUNCHEON.

Methods of increasing trade during the summer season were discussed at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Advertising Club of Washington today.

D. J. Kaufman, of D. J. Kaufman, Inc., spoke on "Making Business Better in Dull Seasons." Lewis Cohen, window display manager of the Park-Bridget Company, spoke on the value of window displays in aiding business.

SLAYER OF WIFE'S FRIEND CONFIDENT HE WILL BE FREED

Goetz, Naming Victim as Co-respondent.

"I shot in self-defense," says Goetz, naming victim as co-respondent.

"I shot in self-defense and expect to be acquitted," today declared William E. Goetz, income tax specialist, who on Saturday night shot and killed Albert J. Byrd when the latter is alleged to have attempted to break into his home. Apparently not in the least worried over his predicament, Goetz today was at his office in the Kellogg Building.

Goetz was rearrested yesterday morning by Deputy Sheriff Robert L. Wells, of Prince Georges county, but was immediately freed until grand jury action is taken against him.

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Many Seek to Win Times Prize for Best Letter on Prohibition

"What has prohibition accomplished to date?"

William Randolph Hearst, in a communication to The Washington Times on July 1, asked this question.

In an endeavor to find the answer, The Washington Times immediately offered \$50 for the best letter, limited to 150 words, setting forth the record of accomplishment of prohibition.

A large number of letters have been received by the Prohibition Editor, and many of them show that Washingtonians have been giving considerable study to the question.

The contest for the best letter in answer to Mr. Hearst's question will close next Friday, July 15. The name of the recipient of the \$50 reward, together with his or her answer will be published in the Sunday Morning Times, July 17.

Here are some samples of the letters thus far received:

"Prohibition has accomplished a great deal of good. It has saved the heads of families from waste a large portion of their not too large earnings for drink, whereas now these same individuals are using their money for other useful and healthful purposes. Again, instead of being dead drunk, they are dead sober."

"The moral effect on their offspring has been wonderful, and in lieu of poverty, unhappiness, delinquency and crime, there have been reverence, honesty and love. True, no change has come among the rich and those downright evilly inclined, but down in the midst of the hard-working poor dwellers, there has been a change. The majority of the country's inhabitants there have been blessings untold."

"While prohibition has brought moonshine out of hundreds of hiding places, it has also brought sunshine into millions of American homes."—Max M. Bernstein, 311 R street northwest.

"It seems that prohibition has been and still is a failure, for it has not succeeded in promoting temperance. Although the saloons have been closed and the sale of liquor prohibited except for medical use, liquor is with in easy reach of all who care to get it. Instead of accomplishing its purpose, it has brought opposite results. It has encouraged home brew, made the doctors wholesale brewers and changed the drugstores into saloons. It has caused loss of sight and death to many. The use of inferior liquor—Alexander A. Koorle, 1116 Ninth street northwest.

"DRYERS' MOTHERS' EYES."

"Prohibition has accomplished more for child welfare and women than any other law ever enacted. Prohibition has actually wiped tears from millions of mothers' eyes."

"It has decreased disease and degeneracy, the heritage of drinkers' offspring. Drinkers are no longer traitors to their own bodies. Alcohol, the arch enemy of life forces, is far more than offset by the evils and discontent it has caused. It has taught the vicious and lawless classes that law is only a degree of personality; that the high and mighty law maker and server, are equally willing to hold a law in contempt when it suits their purpose, when they think some privilege of theirs has been invaded."

"It has opened the field of narcotics beyond all limits. It has reduced the incentive to work in a large class of our citizens. It has destroyed the only club the poor could enjoy legitimately. It has lowered the price of necessary medicine for the aged and sick to prohibitive levels. It has enriched lawbreakers of all classes at the expense of the Government and citizens."

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